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Momentous Financial Date Approaches

Nanking's Loan Hopes

Washington Wary Over Govt. Reform

Nanking, May 12.
The Nanking government is encouraged by reports that the United States might grant individual loans to China for sound specified projects but is wondering how far Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek will have gone beforehand in further "broadening" the government.
The recent appointment of Chang Chun as Premier and the revision of representation of the Democratic Socialist and China Youth parties in the complex administrative mechanism, while representing an advance over the previous position, apparently has still not gone far enough to satisfy Washington.
There is no doubt in the minds of diplomatic quarters in Nanking that the government while "coalition" in outward form still is very much part and parcel of the Kuomintang.

POLITICAL CONCUBINES
More cynical observers regard the two minority parties simply as political concubines acquired by the Kuomintang for the purposes of expediency and any term condition is far too euphemistic.
The government confronts increasing difficulties in what everyone regards as a year of crisis, brought about largely by the unabated inflation and the seeming inability to crush the Communists within the foreseeable future.
Some of the more liberal elements in Nanking would welcome a revival of peace negotiations with the Communists but the prospects are extremely dim because neither side would like to compromise to the extent which would satisfy the other.
From all appearances the government will not put up peace feelers especially as the Minister of National Defence, Pui Chung-hsi, and other key figures avowedly are convinced that the only possible settlement is on the battlefield.
On the diplomatic front China and Russia appear no nearer composing their differences over Eastern and Port Arthur.—Associated Press.

COMMUNAL RIOTS
Amritsar, May 12.
Three more persons were killed and three injured on Sunday in communal rioting bringing casualties during the past three days to 17 killed and 17 injured.
Two explosions occurred on Saturday night and about a dozen cases of arson were reported on Sunday.
However, only one building was seriously damaged by fire.—Associated Press.

EDITORIAL
Wages And Profits
MR Cyril Champkin last week made a clever attempt to describe the fundamental economic principles necessary to guide Hongkong into future prosperity. Apart from his suggestion of local currency control, the arguments followed a standard pattern. The golden rule is still to apply: first essential is a "reasonable" margin of profit; second, wages which "leave a fair and reasonable margin over the accepted minimum standard of living." To achieve this there must be a reduction in commodity prices, stabilisation of wages and control over the spending of "loose" money. This will make the qualified draughtsman, offered \$165 dollars a month basic salary, smile somewhat wryly, and wonder just on what he is going to spend his "loose" money. Because Mr Champkin's speech was intended to apply to Hongkong, many will wonder how the theory fits the facts. Mr Champkin says that until the world's stocks are replenished transport becomes freely available and exchange facilities restored to something like normal conditions we must expect high prices, a corresponding increase in wages, but not a corresponding rise in profits. There appears to be a fallacy about this because in Hongkong there has certainly been a corresponding increase in profits, as shown by the majority of company balance sheets. Mr Champkin says that the profit motive is not the only consideration in industry. Perhaps not, but certainly it is the dominating factor. To state industry's only solution for unprofit-

Danger Of Blocked Sterling Balances

London, May 11.
If India or Egypt fail to send delegations to discuss their sterling balances, or if their delegations having come find it impossible to accept any of the terms that Britain could afford to offer, their sterling balances would almost automatically become blocked on July 15. Britain would have no choice in the matter.
One may expect, however, that this disaster will not occur and that the matter will be settled on the basis of human needs.
On July 15—a momentous date in world financial history—any sterling which is spendable anywhere has to be made spendable everywhere in the Dollar area equally with the Sterling area. That is what Britain has undertaken to do under the Anglo-American Loan Agreement and what she intends to do. She has already done it for all sterling which is spendable by anybody in the United States, Canada and Newfoundland, Central America, Venezuela, Colombia, Argentina, Belgium, Holland, Portugal and Italy.

She is bound to do it for the whole world by July 15.
Since nobody suggests that Britain could possibly make the whole of the £3,500,000,000 accumulated sterling balance convertible into dollars, she is bound—falling agreement, on what proportion of them can be released—to make them spendable anywhere. The methods would be either by blocking them or by excluding a recalcitrant creditor country from the sterling area.
At present every penny of India's or Egypt's sterling balance is spendable on anything whatever that can be bought for sterling—which includes £20,000,000,000 of securities quoted on the London stock exchange, all wool and rubber of the British Empire and Britain's entire exports.
On July 15 any part of the balances agreed for release as spendable anywhere must become spendable everywhere and all the rest become spendable nowhere—except as may be agreed for repatriating British-owned assets in creditor countries. In default of agreement on the release the whole lot becomes unspeakable anywhere unless Britain unilaterally concedes convertible proportions.

NO CHOICE FOR U.K.
Britain has no choice in the matter. The United States Treasury strongly objects to the clause in the Anglo-American agreement allowing Argentina to use her accumulated sterling to settle any adverse balance of payments with the sterling area, even though it was almost inconceivable that the clause would ever be exercised. Britain has refused to include any such clause in any other agreement. Washington certainly would not allow any country's sterling balance to remain spendable within the sterling area merely by postponement of agreement.

able working is retrenchment, either in the form of staff reductions or wage cutting. Any improvements in Hongkong's working conditions represent less an established policy on the part of employers than a reluctant endeavour to follow a lead given in other parts of the world. Most of Hongkong's workers would be more impressed by Mr Champkin's economic thesis if he frankly declared what he regards as wages that will "leave a reasonable margin over the accepted minimum standard of living." If he would explain what is meant by an "accepted minimum standard of living," he thinks constitute "adequate profits with proper limitations," and whether he agrees that first consideration should be given to salary standards rather than profits. Mr Champkin's insistence on the necessity of cheap labour for Hongkong tends to spoil his case. It means that the promised prosperity is intended only for the few who draw dividends and can reinvest them in other prosperous enterprises flourishing on cheap labour. In the face of the most profound dilemmas on economies we stand by an assertion made more than once previously that the majority of Hongkong's workers were grossly underpaid before the war; that vast numbers are still underpaid; and the rest earn only the minimum to meet living costs, leaving them with no margin whatever. This situation appears to us to be the most pressing aspect of the colony's present and future economic problems.

The Royal Family Return Home



Cheered By Three Quarters Of A Million People

Portsmouth, May 12.
Britain's Royal Family returned from a three-month tour of South Africa on Sunday to a noisy welcome from 750,000 cheering subjects who jammed the beaches for a glimpse of the home coming.
Precisely on schedule HMS Vanguard flying the Royal standard nosed into the harbour under an echoing royal salute of 21 guns.

JINNAH ON PARTITION

New Delhi, May 12.
Mohamed Ali Jinnah, president of the Muslim League said today that if the British decide to partition India, the Central Government must be dissolved and all the powers transferred to the two separate constituent assemblies representing Pakistan (Moslem) and Hindustan.
A similar suggestion was advanced on Friday by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, strong man of the predominantly Hindu Congress party and the Home—Information—and Broadcasting Minister in the Interim government.
Patel's proposal was an alternative to his principal thesis that the British should transfer the power at once to India's Central government as it now stands. The British plan for the transferring of power to the Indians is slated to be disclosed on June 2 by the Viceroy, Lord Mountbatten.
The Viceroy originally intended to present the plan to the Indian leaders next Saturday but a communiqué on Sunday said a postponement was necessary "owing to the imminent parliamentary recess in London."
In an interview Jinnah rejected Patel's proposal concerning the dominion powers as "monstrous."
Jinnah said that if full power were given the Interim government, Patel would use the administrative machinery, police and armed forces "including British troops to put down everybody in the country and particularly the 100,000,000 Moslems."—Associated Press.

LANDING TODAY

At the King's request navy ships at anchor were not manned. The Royal family will remain on board Sunday night, disembarking shortly after 8 a.m. GMT Monday to take part in a ceremonial procession from the dockyard, through beflagged streets to Portsmouth's Guildhall.
After a brief reception they will travel to London by train and will be driven in open carriages, accompanied by a captain's escort of household cavalry, from Waterloo station to Buckingham Palace.

Their arrival in London on Monday will mark the 10th anniversary of George VI's accession to the throne. The Duke of Gloucester and Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton, Commander-in-Chief of the Portsmouth naval base went aboard the Vanguard shortly after she docked.

Peterson Makes Forced Landing In Tanganyika

Cape Town, May 11.
Information available in Cape Town revealed that Colonel Chesley Peterson's plane made a forced landing in an area of Southern Tanganyika not far from the caravan track from Lindi to Manda on Lake Nyassa.
Songea is the nearest settlement on the eastern side of the lake. The caravan track is thought to be passable by automobile. From Songea to the spot of the crash is a day's march in heavy bush. While the trip might be made by automobile in good weather, the country is completely impassable by car during rains and the trip might require a week's march.
News of Col Peterson's safe landing was reported to have been received in Cape Town from the radio in his airplane.
Mrs Peterson has often been referred to as South Africa's "Merle Oberon" because of her dark hair and fair skin.
Col Peterson's co-pilot was Major E. C. Rowe of Oldham.
Mr Harry Smith, of the United States said he had talked with Mrs Peterson and Mrs Rowe, who are sharing a house in Pretoria. They told him they learned this morning their husbands were safe.—United Press.

Cape Town, May 11.
More aircraft joined in the search for a missing private plane piloted by the United States Military attaché for South Africa, Colonel Chesley G. Peterson.
Peterson was the commander of the Eagle Squadron during the war and was shot down twice in the English Channel.
His plane has been lost since he left Salisbury on Friday with three passengers.
He married Audrey Boyes of Cape Town, formerly a ballet dancer and they have one child.—Associated Press.

War Brides Return By The Dozen

Disillusioned By U.S.

London, May 11.
If the present clamour in the British press continues, rationed Britons soon will be feeling sorry for unrationed Americans.
Britons read in the Sunday press again today of the "scores" of GI brides returning to England, sadly disillusioned by their experiences in the "promised land" across the Atlantic.
The newspaper Reynolds News blared the headline: "We prefer Britain, say GI wives."
At least ten British brides, the paper said, had returned to the city of London alone. "Others" were reported to have gone back to Manchester, Liverpool and Blackpool—some of them bringing their children.
A British Army welfare organiser in Lancashire was quoted as saying that an "alarming number" of inquiries had been received from British parents seeking ways for their daughters to return from America.
According to other welfare officials, it seemed "obvious" that a high proportion of the marriages between Lancashire girls and American ex-servicemen had gone astray.

HIGH LIVING COSTS

In other cases, British girls were quoted as saying they wanted to return home because they were "appalled" at the high cost of living in the United States.
Here was a story the Reynolds News printed from one of the wives who returned—Mrs Joan del Glono, who came back after eight months in Jersey City.
"I just had to come back," Mrs del Glono said. "I could not make ends meet because of the high cost of living. It is much better to be back in rationed England than tramping around American shops looking at stacks of food and other things I could not afford to buy."
Mrs del Glono said her husband, who was studying law, received a government stipend of US\$20 a week and earned US\$10 extra working in a huge store.
"But all \$30 were worth no more than 30s in England," she said. "We just could not live. So he went back in the Army and I have returned."—United Press.

Performs Impossible

Shanghai, May 11.
A man in Shanghai claimed that he has discovered a method to trisect an angle—a feat long considered impossible by mathematicians, according to local Chinese papers.
Declaring that his method uses only a compass and an ungraded ruler, Yang Chiao-cho has submitted his supposedly astounding discovery to the Academia Sinica. Whether his method actually works or not still remains to be examined by mathematicians, it was said.—Reuter.

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"Now then, good and hearty! Hymn No. 7 on the hymn-sheet—'Onward Christian soldiers, marching as to battle, with our banners flying, and our standard set—'"

In Parliament:

ZILLIACUS IS NOT BRITAIN

By Ernest Thurtle, M.P.

IN view of Mr Churchill's comment that Mr Henry Wallace, during his visit to Britain, was an associate of crypto Communists or fellow travellers, it is not without interest that Mr Wallace reported as speaking at Copenhagen with Mr Konni Ziliacus.

Now Mr Ziliacus, who is Labour M.P. for Gateshead, is regarded by many as the uncrowned king of the parliamentary cryptos.

Most of his time at Westminster is taken up in damning the foreign policy of Mr Bevin. He has, indeed, described this same policy, which is that of the Government he was elected to support, as "Winston and water."

That may be how the doctors of Gateshead feel about the Government's foreign policy (though I doubt it very much), but it is certainly not how the great majority of the British people regard it.

Odd things happen, but it would be a pity if Henry Wallace returned to his native America under the quaint impression that the voice of Ziliacus is the voice of Britain.

MR BEVIN returns from Moscow without peace, but not, I think, without honour. He has battled for seven weeks and yet achieved practically nothing. Why?

The facts must answer. They seem to make it plain that this conference failed because of the tactics of Russia.

Yet now—perhaps as a smoke-screen to hide the facts—the Russians are vigorously attacking our Foreign Secretary. Very significant is a cable from the Daily Herald's special correspondent agreeing with an American comment that the Russian propagandists are "gunning for Ernie Bevin."

They are, in fact, blaming him for the wasted seven weeks. This, of course, is a grotesque travesty of the truth, as all who (Continued on Page 3)

THE LAUGH IS ON US

Moscow, Apr. 30.
Is this really how they see us? I suppose I have asked that question at least four or five times a day since I first arrived in Moscow. And now that I am leaving I am still asking it.

I asked it again the other night at the theatre. In fact, I asked one of Mr Bevin's young men, and he did not know the answer either.

The piece we were seeing was a musical called "The Eleven Unknown," which is all about the visit of Moscow's Dynamo football team to Britain last year. It records their victory over the arrogant footballists of degenerate capitalist Britain.

It is a great hit, this piece, and it is being played all over the Soviet Union. I saw a few scenes from it when I went to the theatre in Stalingrad, and I determined then that I had to see the whole.

What specially interested me was the picture it gives of Britain seen through Soviet eyes.

The second act opens with the Dynamos staying at a most luxurious roadhouse somewhere in Southern England. It has a cocktail bar in the garden, and a red-haired barmaid who chases one of the Russians because she thinks he is a marriageable millionaire. There is also a penny-in-the-slot gambling machine into which one silly Briton after another sticks money and loses it.

GUESS WHO
MOST prominent guest at the roadhouse is a dandified British football star, one Stanley Macploth (can you guess who Stanley Macploth is supposed to be? I can). Stanley is very, very patronising to the Soviet footballers.

Olivia Hitchcock, a London girl reporter, says to Stanley: "What is the difference between you and the London evening newspapers?" Answer—wittily supplied by Olivia herself: "The London evening newspapers only lie in the evening. You, Stanley, lie all the time."

The owner of the roadhouse is a diminutive Pole who has betrayed his country to the British.

SEFTON DELMER WRITES: RUSSIA SMILES AT THIS BURLESQUE OF BRITAIN AND THINKS IT IS TRUE

He says, with the cynical frankness of a capitalist: "My heart is where my money is."

The Polish Englishman bets very heavily against the Soviet team. To make sure of winning, he first buys the great Stanley for the British club which is opposing the Dynamos. Stanley holds out for £8,000. No appeals to patriotism move him. He compromises for £7,500.

Then the Pole tries to make two of the Russian team drunk by offering them what is called an atomic cocktail. They refuse to drink. He tries to bribe them. They turn him down.

CONTRASTS
So it goes on until, at last, modest, proletarian virtue triumphs over capitalist trickery and souls—the Soviet team captain is shown, having his damaged leg bandaged during the match.

After the match, there is a May-fair reception for the Russians. The British are in dress suits, the Russians in dinner jackets. Reporter Olivia Hitchcock tries to find out how the victory was achieved. Each member of the team modestly repudiates any individual distinction in contrast to the egoistic and boastful Stanley Macploth.

Finally Olivia gets her story, a lesson for the capitalist British: the Russians, it turns out, won by team play. Soviet collectivism triumphed over reactionary British individualism.

The audience loved it. Two Red Army officers sitting to the right of me were in almost perpetual ecstasy over the absurdities of the haughty British.

When the London football crowd—a superb collection of men in morning dress, tweeds and bowlers and women in Ascot frocks—sat in their grandstands gaping flabbergasted at the Soviet victory, the joy of the whole audience was so infectious that I was as delighted as they.

Did they accept what they saw here as a picture of life in Britain? I am inclined to think that most of them did. Nonsense, you say. No one would accept a musical comedy as a picture of anything.

Maybe. But the picture we were given here on the Moscow stage fits in perfectly with what is reported to the public in news and articles and lectures about Britain.

MARXIAN
BRITAIN as seen from Moscow, and by that I do not just mean my balcony on the tenth floor of the Moskva Hotel, is the Britain described by Charles Dickens and Karl Marx, with a dash of Priestley thrown in to bring it right up to date.

It is hauntingly like the Britain described by the late Dr Joseph Goebbels in his attacks on plutocracy. The workers live in slums, they are exploited by rich, unscrupulous capitalists—City magnates, they are called. The City magnates live in luxury while the workers starve.

The Socialist Government, despite its parade of Socialism is really in the pocket of the City magnates. It is allowing the City magnates, as Novoye Vremya told us, to shift the entire burden of the postwar reconstruction of Britain's economy on to the shoulders of the working class.

Under the influence of the City magnates, the Socialist Government has allowed the British Fascists (to quote Novoye Vremya once more) "to re-establish themselves and develop their activities, thereby menacing the Soviet Union and international peace."

It was the City magnates who deliberately delayed the Second Front during the war in the hope that Russia would bleed to death. The Soviet victory over Hitler, says Novoye Vremya of these people, was a disappointment to them.

It is they who are making the present Government refuse reparations to Soviet Russia. They—and their friends in the Control Commission in the British Zone—are re-

lucting to deNazify and demilitarise Germany in the hope of using a new Nazi Germany against Soviet Russia. They have established Fascism in Greece, they are supporting Fascism in Turkey.

But there is a hope. A real Left-wing movement is coming up more and more strongly in Britain, with such enlightened leaders as Ziliacus, Mack and Crossman. They have the moral of the people behind them.

They will overthrow the reactionary City magnates, assert Britain's independence of the United States plutocracy, and cause her to join up with the enlightened Soviet democracy, as Poland, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia have already done.

AT SCHOOL
THAT is the picture the intelligent newspaper reader gets of Britain. It is also the picture drilled into the children at school. I found schoolgirls of 15 and 16 learning off by heart their history and current affairs lesson so that they can pass the test in political orthodoxy—the Marxist-Leninist philosophy they call it. Without this knowledge no one can get a diploma or a degree in the Soviet Union.

"Truman," I heard one little girl recite, "is a friend of Fascists and the tool of reactionaries." I have no cause to wonder whether the ordinary British really believe the picture of Britain that he is given. He has centuries of credulity behind him. It is traditional for him to accept what he is taught.

But what about the teachers? The men in the Kremlin? Do they accept this distorted view? Are they putting it over to the masses because they believe it to be true, or because they believe it to be good for them?

My hunch, based on such experience as I have been able to gather during these weeks of reference reporting and travel, is that the truth lies in a combination of the two.

DIPLOMACY
FEW of the Soviet leaders ever go abroad, they depend upon their diplomatic service for their news from abroad. And that service, despite its inclusion of some very brilliant men, is still a somewhat primitive institution.

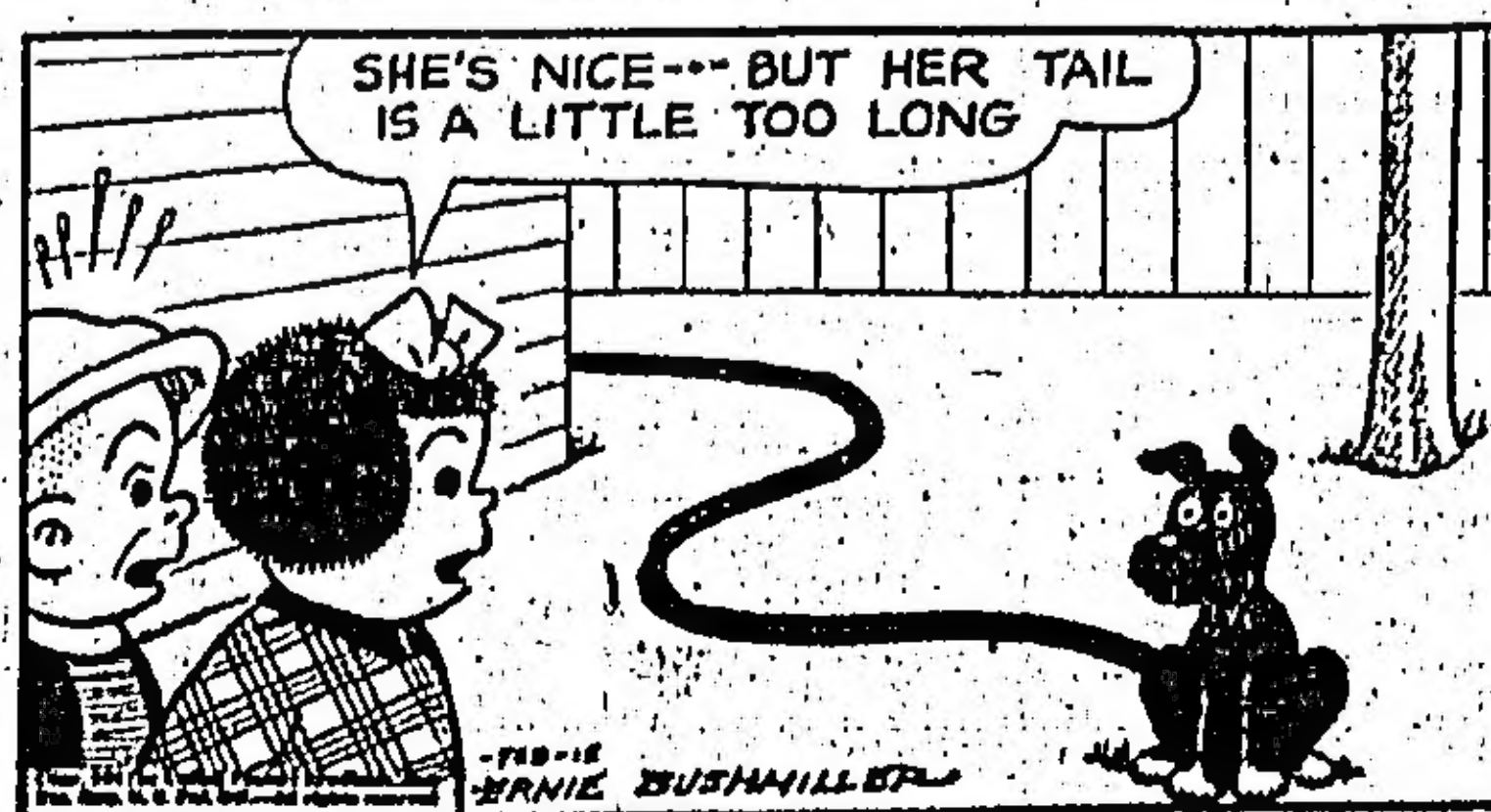
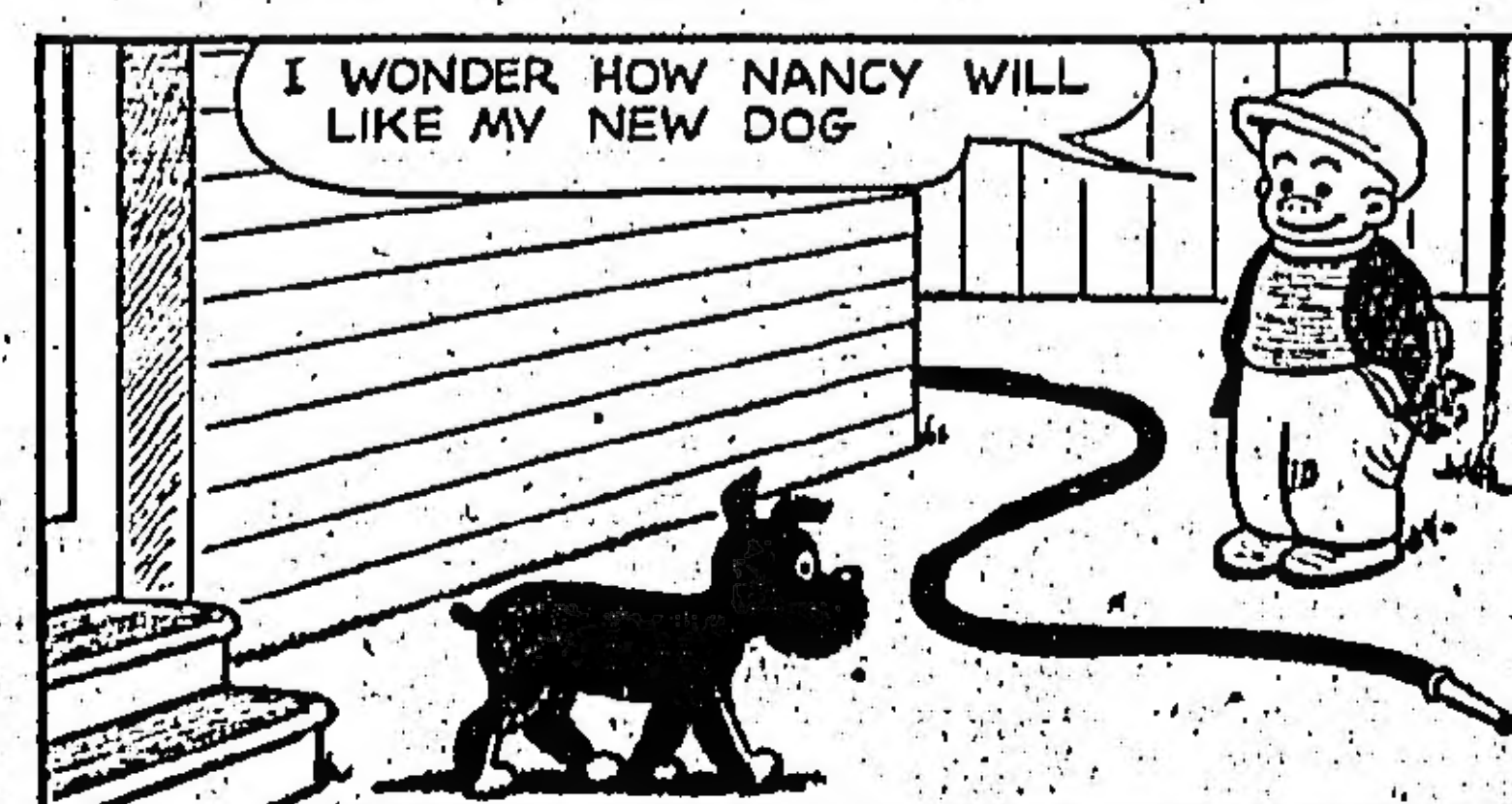
Ignorance—combined with the desire to please the high-ups by confirming their theories—will lead Soviet diplomats and other observers abroad to send home reports backing up the high-up suspicions and pet political theories.

It is true that a great drive is being made to improve the Soviet diplomatic service. Young men are being trained specially as diplomats. I hope that they are being trained in honest reporting. Because a lot more than a Moscow musical comedy depends on them.



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"DEAR LOIS LEEDS"

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UNIFORMED.
Your rings were placed on your finger "till Death do us part", and thus you wear them. If you should remarry, you remove the old wedding ring and wear the new one. It is not usually done, but some like to continue to wear the two engagement rings. In my opinion, it is better taste not to do so.

"Dear Lois Leeds—My bust has always sagged, even at the beginning of its development. What can I do? I wear an uplift bra."

FIFTEEN.
You should, first, start a series of exercises, such as the swimming stroke and reaching, and you must improve your posture, you evidently "slump". No girl at your age has sagging breasts unless there is some physical underdevelopment, bad posture or poor health, or all three. You should see a doctor for a physical checkup. Your school doctor and gym-teacher might be interested in working out a special programme for you.

"Dear Lois Leeds—How can I get rid of pimples? What do you recommend for me to use? I have

used lots of creams and lotions. I am short and fat. How should I wear my hair?—LILLY."

Most definitely you should go on a diet of vegetables, fruits and milk. You are evidently much overweight, thus you have an overly-oily skin. Next, you must stop using creams and lotions. Scrub with clean, clean water and a white soap. The only cream that you should use is one of the sulphur type or an acne preparation. Short girls look best with hair brushed up and kept off of the neck.

Coloured Gold Jewel Mountings

Yellow and red golds are the favourite metals for mounting precious and semi-precious stones today. A great many of the new jewel designs showing at the British Industries Fair, which opened in London and Birmingham last week, demonstrated this new trend.

The fashion, to some extent, is based on the state of the world market. In days of abundance, silver was considered good enough for mounting semi-precious stones, while the more precious gold was used for the rarer and more expensive precious gems.

It is to fill the gap between "costume" jewellery of the cheapest kind and the richest gems, and to bring to light the real beauty of semi-precious stones that coloured gold has been introduced as a new medium for setting them. Another potent factor in the use of coloured gold is that overseas buyers favour and value gold for its own sake in preference to other metals.

Designs themselves have taken an interesting new aspect. Curves are replacing straight lines, while colour schemes have undergone a radical change. Yellow gold is highly favoured for all dress accessories, both for day and evening wear, while the delicate tones of semi-precious stones blend harmoniously with the latest pastel shades. The effect is equally good on black.

These are but a few of the new jewellery fashions to be seen at the Fair.

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"The way the ice on the streets melts at noon is a sure sign—before you know it we'll all be revelling in the beauties of spring again!"

SINGING PRIVATE WINS BIG PRIZE

That lovely Italian song, "Santa Lucia," has just earned a 19-year-old private in the Royal Army Medical Corps £2,000.

He is Pte Edwin Roberts, and he sang it with typical Latin bravura and with rare feeling at the London Coliseum to win the first prize in the broadcast final of a Talent contest, directed and compered by that ebullient Canadian entertainer, Carroll Lewis.

Yet Edwin has only had nine months' voice training in his young life; he does not know Italian; he has never even left the shores of Britain.

The Coliseum show was the climax of a year's nation-wide hunt for latent talent among would-be stars of stage, radio and screen, in which thousands of competitors took part in over 300 eliminating contests in almost every county.

These have been one of the highlights of the Carroll Lewis show which was broadcast in the BBC General Overseas Service, when they were invariably introduced as "truly the discoveries of today are the stars of tomorrow."

EXHIBITION OF CHINESE CERAMICS

A delightful exhibition of "Two Thousand Years of Chinese Ceramic Figures" is being shown in London, arranged by the British Oriental Ceramic Society, which holds such displays twice yearly.

The exhibits have been loaned by members and comprise 132 interesting pieces which range from the Han Dynasty of 206 B.C.-220 A.D. until the mid-19th century. Expressing the immense art of the Chinese plastic potter, the exhibition has charm, humour, dignity and grace.

Very lovely are the various replicas of the Goddess of Mercy—Kuan-yin—who is shown in different aspects in different periods, but always reflecting beauty and wisdom. Chinese potters through the ages have found the modelling of horses and lions congenial to their art. They have rendered the strength beauty of these in various styles. Humour appears in little figures with well-defined features.

For European Market
In the later centuries they made their wares especially for the European market and depicted the Europeans as happy people, invariably laughing. In this section there is a jovial figure of Louis XIV of France in gay clothes and a Dutchman in a harlequin coat who seems to see the happy side of life.

One of the earliest exhibits, belonging to the remote Han Dynasty, is a sheep fold with four sheep of green glaze.

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have followed the negotiations must know. Nevertheless, it is the Moscow line, and it will doubtless be followed by the Communists and their secret sympathisers and backers in this country.

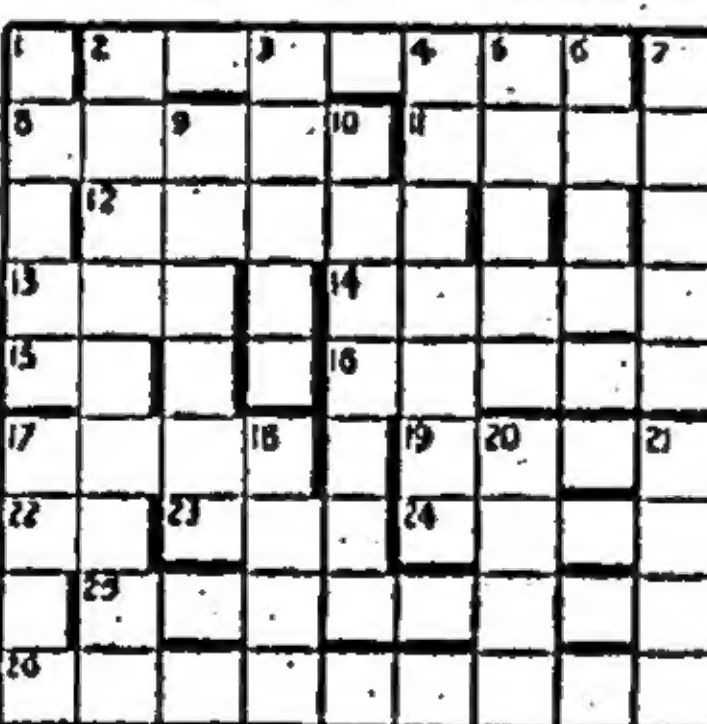
THIS is a bad business, undoubtedly. Yet I am confident that neither Parliament nor the British people will be deceived by such crude and false propaganda.

All that is needed by way of corrective is a plain, unvarnished statement from the Foreign Secretary of the course of events in Moscow.

Nothing wrapped up in diplomacy's verbal cotton wool, naught set down in malice, but a bare recital of the hard facts.

That, Mr. Bevin, will be quite enough to cook this particular Moscow propaganda goose.

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11. Vehicle that travels only in part.
12. Precisely what you withdraw.
13. Writings of a sort.
14. A spirit of the air this gazelle.
15. This needs just a little science.
16. Discouraged anger that will rove.
17. The skin.
- 22 and 23. Egg on.
24. A sandy fil.
25. Round b. a diet.
26. A certain trapdoor cat save it.
27. A certain trapdoor cat save it.

Down

- 1 and 7. Very often swallowed but not to keep the doctor away.
3. A thing sound.
5. Just habit.
6. It is quite possible for someone with a certain personality.
8. You may think it's edible but it's intended for a harpoon.
9. A certain trapdoor cat save it.
10. See 1 above.
18. See 17 above.
19. Utterance no doubt.
20. Utterance in a thousand notes.
21. You don't make a bit of 1 and 2.
22. Eyes, small ones obviously.
23. It was lost by an early gardener.

"Stars of tomorrow" Edwin Roberts is a present medical orderly in the hygiene department of an Army Medical College in London District. A quiet, unassuming lad, he's been wearing battledress since November, 1945. Before that, he spent two years pushing a pen in an estate agent's office in Shoredham.

Misadventure
Before facing the ordeal of his life at the Coliseum, he had to win his way through three competitions—first at Shoredham; then the County finals at Littlehampton; and lastly the Regional Finals—spread over seven months. He got the Italian pronunciation from a music teacher and by listening to Gigli on records and in the flesh.

He nearly met with a mishap at the very last hurdle. As he was waiting for his call at the Coliseum, he went out of the theatre to get a breath of fresh air, and a handful of hot ashes blew into his eyes, and nearly blinded him.

He rushed to Charing Cross Hospital for some treatment and got back to the theatre just in time to walk on to the stage for his number. So confident was his manner and sure his voice that not one in the audience and at the receiving end of a wireless set could have imagined the panic he had been in the previous quarter of an hour.

His plans for the future? First of all, he has to master what patience he can endure up until Age and Service Group 71 is called; and then he proposes to get some intensive voice training and try and make his way into grand opera.

THIS WEEK'S HINT FOR DOG-LOVERS Go easy with the medicine

Dog owners should not experiment with new treatments for dog ailments unless they are quite sure they know what they are doing. Simple remedies like castor oil, Epsom salt, zinc and sulphur ointment are very useful for home treatment of minor disorders, and generally if it is found that the use of drugs on the dangerous drugs list is risky.

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By G. WILSON, F.R.S.

FROM HERE AND THERE: GLAMOUR STRIKE

Miami.—A "hotspot" staff has gone on strike because the management refused to pay Jane Russell, sweater girl star of "The Outlaw", the sum of \$4,000 for appearing in too modest cloth.

MILAN.—Italy's first postwar private light aircraft, convertible into an automobile, went on test in Milan and cruised at 40 miles an hour on the road and 120 miles an hour in the air.

PARIS.—French police are combing the suburbs of Paris for "The Vampire", who has been assaulting women. From victims the police find he is a man who rides a woman's bicycle frequently and who wears a red cloak.

NEW YORK.—The anonymous humorist of the New York Times pokes ironic fun at all those Americans weeping crocodile tears for the British Empire's passing. He suggests that Britain has taken up manufacturing its own watches "because they don't know, like so many of us at a distance that their hour has struck."

HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT.—In one day Etienne Jouber of Goodwood won a sweepstake worth £250—won a horse at five to one £250—received an army warrant for gratuity and back pay amounting to £250.

NEW YORK.—A personal loan company says in its advertising: "If you are beset by rising prices and feel your purchasing power shrinking to a dangerous level, a loan will give you a new feeling of confidence."

SCIENTIST REFUSES
Göttingen.—Attempts to induce Germany's greatest atom bomb expert and Nobel Prize winner, Dr. Werner Heisenberg, to carry on work in the Argentine, where some British authorities believe uncaptured Nazis are still hiding, have completely failed. "I wouldn't go to the Argentine now if Peron came for me with a plane," said the eminent physicist. He said that he didn't realise that he was to South America would be considered to have political implications. He won the Nobel Prize at the startling age of 31.

NEW YORK.—The American Army will give up calling that place where soldiers eat the mess. It might remind them of what the food



RECORD MILK PRODUCTION

Friesian's 155½ lbs. In 24 Hours

LONDON.—Bridge Birch II, an eight-year-old cow who can yield her weight in milk every eight days, is feeling the strain. "It will kill her if we keep on with it," her owner, R. A. Pierson, said this week.

Until Sunday, Bridge Birch was just an ordinary, over-sized Friesian. Today, she is a celebrity—in the cow world, that is—for the record 155½ pounds of milk she gave in 24 hours.

"We milked her six times in 24 hours, yesterday, once every four hours," Pierson said. "All by hand, too. We don't use electric milkers. But frankly, it is wearing the men out."

Pierson said that in three or four days, "after she has rested," he would try for another record, "but it is an awful strain on the cow and I doubt if she can stand up to it." It is a question of Calcium, Pierson explained.

Gave Birth to Calf

The previous world record of milk from a cow in 24 hours was established in 1939 at 149 pounds. But Pierson pointed out that that milk did not contain 2.6 butterfat. That is important, he said.

"Bridge Birch gave birth to a calf 63 days ago," Pierson said. "And ever since then she has been giving more and more milk. I can't explain it. It's just one of those things. Already I've been offered £50 a day to let her stand outside a milk bar, but I don't take it."

Pierson said some people pay thousands in trying for milk records from their cows. He has only paid £100 for Bridge Birch.

"It is just like winning the Derby," he said. "And it is a great thrill. He said his cow has always been fed silage.—United Press.

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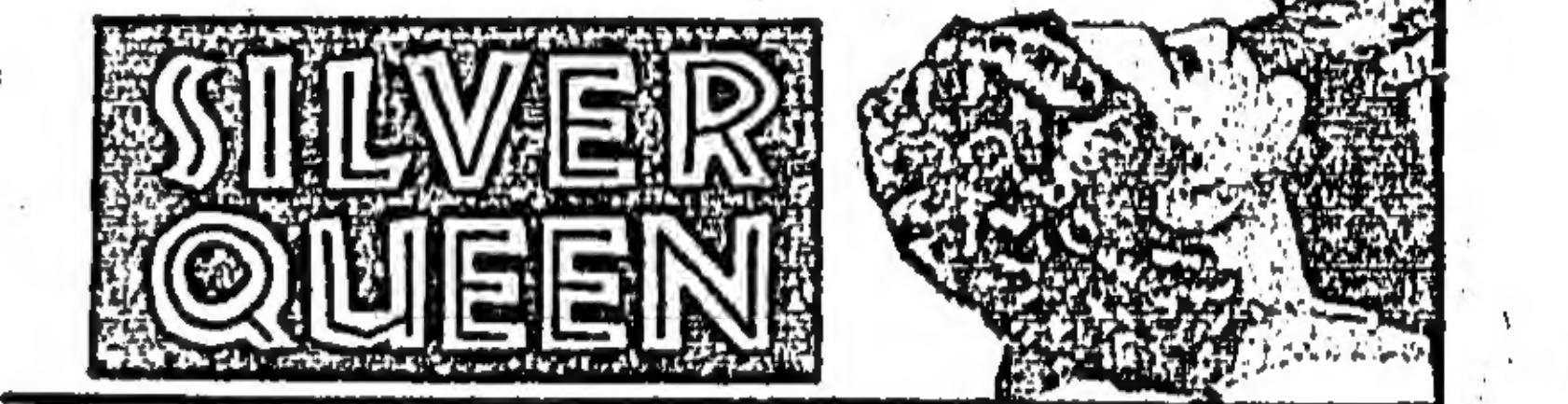


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Answer to the puzzle in Saturday's "Round the Empire" illustrated feature is as follows:—

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If 2 is right 1 and 3 are wrong, making C blue and B and A both white. So 2 is wrong.

Therefore, 3 is right, and since 2 is wrong B is red, C white and A blue.

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Alaska An Armed Fortress

New York, May 11. Alaska's western shoreline—at one point less than 100 miles from Russian territory—has been transformed by the United States into an "armed fortress." Dr. Mark A. Dawber, executive secretary of the Home Missions Council of North America, said today.

"All along the Alaskan coastline from Nome to Point Barrow, there is evidence of military preparation," Dr. Dawber told the executive committee of the Council, a co-operative agency representing 23 Protestant denominations in missions work.—Associated Press.

Urges U.S. To Increase Imports

Washington, May 12. The Secretary of Commerce, Mr. W. Averell Harriman, declared yesterday that the expansion of trade among all nations is indispensable to the world's long run for the recovery from the war.

In a statement for World Trade Week which begins on May 19, Mr. Harriman urged the United States to maintain the leadership which he said it had taken in international efforts to reduce trade barriers. He said: "Other nations are encouraged by the fact that our international and political policies have the support of the people of this country on a bipartisan basis. But there remains a concern that we may not pursue a consistent policy of support to the expansion of world trade. They know that our participation in postwar international settlements is essential in the development of a just peace and in the protection of the interests of the United States."

He said that the United States must boost her imports to help other nations in the long run. The Secretary declared that "larger imports will make the dollar credits available to our customers abroad who want to buy our products and will enable us to develop a better balanced system of trade relations with the rest of the world."—Associated Press.

HUNGARIAN OFFICIAL VANISHES

Vienna, May 11. Laszlo-Laky, general delegate of the Hungarian repatriation mission for Austria and Germany, has disappeared. His disappearance has aroused great uneasiness among Hungarian displaced persons in Austria.

Laky, who was stationed at Munich, was summoned to Vienna to attend a conference with high officials of the Hungarian Ministry of the Interior last Thursday.

After the meeting, it was reported today, he went with two officials of the Ministry in a car driven by a uniformed Hungarian policeman "to buy a pipe in the Kaertner-Strasse."

Instead, the car drove to Praters-tern, where a second Hungarian car with two civilians in it was waiting. Laky, it was stated, was persuaded to enter the second car, which drove off and neither he nor the car has been seen since.

Laky, who was wearing an American uniform, is thought to have been taken across the frontier into Hungary. Laky was educated in the United States and his son was a director of an oil company in Budapest.—Reuter.

Franco's Latest

Valencia, May 11. Generalissimo Francisco Franco, in a civil address at Valencia last night, said he would quit his job if he were not absolutely certain he was taking the Spaniards to the right destination.

"I tell you, that if that were not the solution and I did not have the absolute certainty of leading you to a good port, I would...leave the field free and depart," Franco told his audience.

This was the Caudillo's first reference to his tenure of office since the announcement of his succession project six weeks ago.

Franco opened his address by saying he was a man of deeds, not words, and then outlined some of his accomplishments.—United Press.

Postmen's Race

Paris, May 11. Several hundred postmen, decked out in full working uniforms, celebrated their day off today by competing in a walking race across Paris.—United Press.

Indonesians Reject Dutch Proposals For Joint Trade Controls

Pontianak, Borneo, May 11. A Dutch communique published here today said that the Indonesian Republic had rejected the Dutch proposals for "joint regulation of trade, foreign exchange and customs."

The communique was published after the arrival here of Dr. H. J. Van Mook, Lieutenant Governor-General, and Mr. William Schermerhorn, Chairman of the Commission-General, for the signing of the statute giving West Borneo the status of an autonomous territory with an independent government within the Dutch empire.

BRITAIN A NATION OF PESSIMISTS

London, May 11. Britain in 1946 became a nation of pessimists "largely convinced of the inevitability of another conflict," a private opinion survey agency reported today.

Reporting on the investigations undertaken for the New Commonwealth, an international society of which Winston Churchill is president, "Mass Observation" said: "The overall impression is one of increasing resignation to the idea of another war, less expression of indignation and a more fatalistic attitude now that the atom bomb has become more familiar."

"Instead of the wishful thinking of 1939/40 which minimised future troubles and expected the best in the worst possible of worlds, we now have its antithesis in a majority expectation of the worst."

Pro-USSR Attitude

The survey will be published on Monday in a report of the Churchill-headed organisation. The New Commonwealth is aimed at promoting international law and order through the creation of an equity tribunal and international police force.

The survey reported that it noted a rapid return of "the old pro-USSR attitude," commenting that "fundamentally and privately there was always much more sympathy for Russia than a stranger could obtain from formal questioning in public."

Surveys during recent months, the agency said, "have shown an increasing trend towards a sort of negative nationalism, a desire to isolate Britain against world affairs. This trend runs parallel with an increasingly hostile and suspicious attitude toward former Allied countries, especially the USSR."—Reuter.

Bumper Crops In Sugar

Washington, May 11. Bumper crops of sugar in Hawaii, Cuba and Puerto Rico were cited by Senator Kenneth S. Wherry, Republican of Nebraska, in a proposal that the Agriculture Department increase the sugar ration to American housewives by 10 pounds immediately.

Senator Wherry said the bumper crops will give the United States the greatest supply in its history "even without the 1,000,000 tons annually obtained from the Philippines before the war."

Cuba's crop will exceed 6,000,000 tons, Hawaii and Puerto Rico will produce in excess of 2,000,000 tons—an increase over an earlier forecast—and domestic sugar beet production will exceed 1,750,000 tons and many reach 10,000,000 tons.—United Press.

SPINSTERS IN DEMONSTRATION

London, May 11. Hundreds of unmarried women from all parts of the country gathered in Trafalgar Square this afternoon to demonstrate for old age pensions for spinsters of 65 instead of 60.

The demonstration of the National Spinsters Pension Association started a national publicity week to enlist sympathy for their aims.

Miss Florence White, the spinsters' leader, gave a fair warning to the Government that "the women are getting on its track."

The demonstration was the centre of interest of a little crowd of Londoners this sunny afternoon, particularly when the spinsters paraded along Whitehall singing their rally song—written for them by a married woman. They halted at Downing Street and a resolution containing their demands was delivered at the residence of the Prime Minister.—Reuter.

Fatal Plane Crash

Cape May, New Jersey, May 12. The Coast Guard station yesterday reported that three persons were killed when a plane crashed and exploded near Brandywine Shoal Lighthouse on Sunday morning.—Associated Press.

It was stated that the attitude of the Indonesian Republic has created grave concern and disappointment in Netherlands circles and added that the economic talks lasting several weeks following the Lingard Agreement (providing for a "United States of Indonesia," signed by Holland and Indonesia on March 25) had produced no tangible results.

A second Dutch communique reviewing the situation in Sumatra declared the lack of Republican co-operation on the island and described the situation as "not cheerful."

An official communique issued today by the Netherlands East Indies Government's Information Service states that the Indonesian proposals for agreement between the two countries "ignore" article XIV of the Lingard Agreement, which concerns restitution of foreign rights and properties.

The United States Government in a verbal approach to the Netherlands Government recently urged an immediate move for agreement on economic and financial matters in Indonesia.—Reuter.

American Capital

Batavia via Singapore, May 11. Sultan Hamid II, prospective head of the separate state of West Borneo, which will come into existence tomorrow, told a press conference today that American capital had signified its willingness to invest in industrial enterprises in West Borneo.

Meeting newsmen at Pontianak, the Sultan claimed that only 50 per cent of the population supported the Republic.

The official signing of documents which will establish the state of West Borneo will take place tomorrow at Pontianak, where Lord Mountbatten and Indian leaders and representatives of States, which had been arranged for the morning of May 17, has been postponed to June 2, it was authoritatively learned here today.

The postponement is believed to be due to the Whitsun recess of the British Parliament.

The meeting had been called for the Viceroy to propound to Indian leaders the conditions of handing over the reins of government to India.—Reuter.

CHURCHILL BACK FROM FRANCE

London, May 11. Mr. Winston Churchill arrived at Northolt Airport tonight by air from Paris, where he attended the official French Day celebrations.

He was accompanied by Mrs. Churchill and Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Sandys and friends.

Mr. Churchill would make no comments on his French visit.

In Paris this morning, Mr. Churchill reviewed a parade of French colonial troops in Place de la Nation.

Britain's wartime Prime Minister made no speeches during his stay in the French capital.—Reuter.

SOVIETS CLEAR YOUNG NAZIS

Hamburg, May 11. The Soviet military government has approved laws which state that all Germans born after January 1, 1919, who were members of the National Socialist organisation, but who have not been indicted, will enjoy complete equality of rights, the German news agency in the British zone reported today.

The law has been passed by all parliaments in the Soviet zone of occupation, the report added.—Reuter.

Up-To-The-Minute International Sports News:

SMILEY QUICK STEPS ON NAIL

St Andrew's, May 11. Smiley Quick, one of the key men in the US Walker Cup team, has stepped on a rusty nail and may be unable to compete in the Walker Cup matches against Britain on Friday and Saturday, it was learned today.

Quick, American National public links champion, sat in his hotel lobby today, his foot swathed in bandages while the remainder of the American team toured Scottish beauty spots.

He is awaiting a pair of crutches which have been ordered to help him move about and exercise his leg.

Quick said he was hopeful the injury would heal in time to permit him to play the eleventh renewal of the Walker Cup series.

He was the second United States player to suffer injury in two days. Frank Stranahan was hit on the jaw by a golf ball yesterday, but said he felt no ill effects today although his face remained swollen.—United Press.

Longchamps Racing

Paris, May 11. M. Marcel Doussac's seven-year-old Marasy, winner of five big races in England last season, won the U.S.\$4,000 Prix de Cadran, France's counterpart to the Ascot Gold Cup, for the fourth time at Longchamps this afternoon. Marasy was also successful in 1943, 1944 and 1945.

Marasy, ridden by the England jockey, Charles Elliott, won by three lengths from F. R. Schmitt's 4-year-old, Souverain. Adran was third.

Marasy covered the 2½-mile course in 4 minutes and 22.6 seconds. The pari-mutuel (ten franc stake) won 21 francs, place 11 francs.—Reuter.

POCKET CARTOON



SOVIET ROLE IN INDIA

Calcutta, May 11. Everyone is apprehensive of the role Soviet Russia may play in helping the Communist Party of India, Dr. Suresh Chandra Bannarjee, President of the recently-formed Indian National Trade Union Congress, stated at a press conference today.

Declaring that the Indian Trade Union Congress was Communist-dominated, Dr. Bannarjee said: "Every Nationalist should see that the working class of India does not become a mere tool in the hands of a party which will not hesitate to do anything anti-national in order to satisfy the imperialistic ambition of its foreign master."

"Due to Communist agitation, strikes have recently increased to an unnatural extent. We favour the establishment of a society in which all labour disputes be decided by law."

Dr. Bannarjee said that the Indian Trade Union Congress was independent of the Congress Party, but "being Nationalist, it would have a natural sympathy toward the Congress Party."—Reuter.

Talks Postponed

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Violent Earth Tremor

Rome, May 11. A violent earth tremor shook areas in south-of-Italy and Sicily today, causing some casualties and serious damage, the Italian News Agency said here today.

One person was killed and four were injured when three buildings crashed down at Santa Caterina. There were also several casualties at Isca on the Ionian coast, according to the latest reports.—Reuter.

Splendid Catch

Southampton, May 11. A British whale factory ship tonight arrived from the Antarctic, carrying 61,000 barrels of whale oil, after five months of whaling. She caught a total of 2,615 whales during the season, and 100 tankers of oil have already been sent home.—Reuter.

Trouble In Camp For Displaced Persons

Frankfurt, May 11. United States occupation police used tear gas and firearms when disturbances broke out at the Polish displaced persons camp at Alstadt, Bavaria, the United States occupation police in Munich announced, according to the Dena German news agency in the United States zone.

HOOVER ON SUPPLIES TO EUROPE

Washington, May 12. A 28-year-old statement by Herbert Hoover that the Western Hemisphere could not meet Europe's economic needs indefinitely was published on Saturday night by the State Department in the latest of a series of historical documents.

Hoover, then a relief administrator, gave his estimate of the European economic situation in the wake of the World War I, in a report to the Supreme Economic Council of the Allied and associated powers.

"During some short period it may be possible for the Western Hemisphere, which has retained and even increased its productivity, to supply the deficiencies of Europe," Hoover advised on July 3, 1919.

Credits And Goods

"Such deficiencies would have to be supplied in a large degree upon credits; but aside from this the entire surplus productivity of the Western Hemisphere is totally incapable of meeting the present deficiency in the European production if it is long continued, nor, as a practical fact, could credits be mobilised for this purpose for more than a short period, because all credits must necessarily be simply an advance against the return of commodities in exchange and credits will break down the instant that the return of commodities becomes improbable."

Further, if such credits be obtained in more than temporary purposes, it would result in the economic slavery of Europe to the Western Hemisphere, and the ultimate end would be war again."

Maximum Effort

"The solution therefore of the problem, except in purely temporary aspects, does not lie in a stream of commodities on credit from the Western Hemisphere, but lies in a vigorous realisation of the actual situation in each country of Europe, and a resolute statesmanship based on such realisation. The populations of Europe must be brought to a realisation that productivity must be instantly increased."

The former President said further that "whatever the economic theory or political cry, it must embrace the maximum individual effort, for there is no margin of surplus productivity in Europe to risk a revolutionary experimentation. No economic policy will bring food to these stomachs, nor fuel to these hearths that does not secure the maximum production."

Hoover's report was contained in a volume of the foreign relations of the United States covering the 1919 peace conference.—Associated Press.

SUGAR WORKERS SCALDED

Kingstown, Jamaica, May 11. Five persons were killed and three injured at today when a displaced factory vessel, the Bernard Lodge, carrying 61,000 barrels of whale oil, after five months of whaling. She caught a total of 2,615 whales during the season, and 100 tankers of oil have already been sent home.—Reuter.

A water shortage has developed in the corporation area, as a result of the drought. The 600,000-gallon storage reservoir, completed last October at a cost to the British Treasury of £500,000, is still empty.—Reuter.

Icelanders, first international match.

Among the British players who arrived in Iceland last Wednesday are Harrison Gray and J. Hastie, Scottish Champion.—Associated Press.

BAKSI SEES WOODCOCK

Elly, Yorkshire, May 11. Bruce Woodcock, convalescing at a holiday camp here, had a visitor yesterday in the form of the British heavyweight champion's jaw in their recent fight.

Joe Inquired tenderly after Bruce's health, received a vivid account of how it feels to eat with a jaw in splints and expressed his sorrow that the fight should have brought such painful results.

Mrs. Baksi and Mrs. Woodcock, neither of whom likes to watch boxing, also exchanged greetings.—Reuter.

AMATEUR BOXING

Dublin, May 11. Passport difficulties are delaying the arrival in Dublin of Polish and Hungarian competitors in the European amateur boxing championships, which begin tomorrow.

Turkey's four representatives arrived today and challengers from all countries, apart from Poland and Hungary, are now present and ready for the weigh-in tomorrow morning.—Reuter.

CHESS IN ICELAND

Reykjavik, May 11. The Icelandic bridge team beat the British bridge league players in Reykjavik on Saturday by 7/20 points in 100 hands. It was the

MacArthur Reports On Korea

Tokyo, May 12. In anticipation of the day when Korea takes over its own affairs completely, the United States authorities in South Korea absorbed more Koreans into influential government posts during January, General MacArthur stated today in his monthly report on military government activities in Korea.

Korean political leaders, meanwhile, expressed strong opposition against trusteeship proposals and asserted their interest was in early independence.

This attitude drew specific assurances from the United States Commander in Korea, Lt-Gen John R. Hodge, that the United States was bending all efforts to develop self-rule as quickly as possible.

Korean participation in South Korean economic activities was increased with the reorganisation of the National Economic Board. Six Koreans were appointed to key posts, and they are now working with an equal number of Americans, including a chairman, executive and four advisers.

Hodge's Warning

At the same time, Gen. Hodge in a clear-cut statement addressed to Koreans, said that increased Korean participation in government did not mean that the United States Military Government could transfer its authority to any other agency until a provisional government of unified Koreans had been organised.

Gen. Hodge warned that efforts to undermine or oppose present United States policy for self-rule would only bring harmful results and delay the progress of your nation.

The report said the shortage of consumer goods was mostly responsible for the current instability of Korea, and that the United States authorities were doing the utmost possible to check inflation and make raw materials available.—United Press.

BOOKS TO TEACH JAPS DEMOCRACY

Washington, May 12. The State and War Departments have jointly asked American individuals and organisations to contribute books and other educational material for the teaching of democracy in Japan.

The War Department and private concerns have been sending material to Japan for some time. But last week's joint announcement said that the "task of reaching 75,000,000 Japanese quickly and effectively is so great that public support through voluntary contributions of materials is urgently needed" to supplement other efforts.

The needed material includes books, laboratory equipment and classroom supplies. Especially desired are—general literature for adults and children, history, science, religion, philosophy and books dealing with democratic customs.

The War Department departments do not want any material "which fosters militarism, race hatred or anti-democratic ideas."—Associated Press.

OUTWARD MAILS

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Posts close 30 minutes earlier than the time stated below:

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Strait and Hongkong (Sea) 3 p.m.

Canada via Vancouver B.C. (Sea) 3 p.m.

Kobe, Yokohama, Osaka, Fukuoka, and other ports (Sea) 3 p.m.

Canton (Train) 5 p.m.

Singapore, Colombo, Sydney, Auckland and London (Air) 3:30 p.m.

Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, and other ports (Air) 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 13

Manila, P.I., and other ports (Sea) 3 p.m.

Canada via San Francisco (No Parcel Post) (Sea) 3 p.m.

Swatow and Amoy (Sea) noon.

Canton (Train) 1:30 p.m.

Shanghai (Sea) 3 p.m.

Kobe, Yokohama, Osaka, Fukuoka, and other ports (Sea) 3 p.m.

Canton (Train) 5 p.m.

Shanghai, Peking, Swatow and Amoy (Air) 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 14

Amoy, Shanghai, Hiohow and Bangkok (Sea) 10 a.m.

Hiohow, Hainan, and Pakhoi (Sea) noon.

Swatow (Sea) 3 p.m.

Singapore (Sea) 3 p.m.

Canton (Train) 1:30 p.m.

Kobe, Yokohama (Sea) 4 p.m.

TO-DAY'S BROADCAST

ZBW Hongkong broadcasting on a frequency of 640 kilocycles from 12:30 to 2 p.m., and 630 a.m. and 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. in the 30 metre band from 12:30 to 1:15, 7:30 to 8:30 and 9:15 to 11 p.m.

11:30 p.m. Favourites: "Music Time" 7:30, Studio: "Like What I Like" Presented by Brenda Rae & Co. 8:15, World News: 8:15, London Relay: Home News from Britain: 8:15, London Relay: Arrival of the Royal Family at Buckingham Palace: 9: Studio: "Will you walk into my parlour?" A Radio Play, by Peter Freuchen on a story by Saxo. 9:30, A Hongkong Stage Club Production: 9:30, Variety: 10: London Relay: News: 10:30, "Something for Everybody": Music for all Tastes: 11, Close Down.

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